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Joaly Tojeiro, President BIO NETWORKS, INC. 1441 SW 1st St. Miami, FL 33135

Re: INO 10-192

Limitations on Doing Business with the County

Dear Ms. Tojeiro:

In correspondence to our office on December 13, 2010, you said that you wish to do business with the County through your privately owned company, BIO NETWORKS, INC., which provides childcare services.

IT IS THE OPINION of the Ethics Commission staff that BIO NETWORKS, INC., may enter into contracts with the County, but not with the Miami-Dade County Building and Neighborhood Compliance Department (BNC) because of the employment of your mother, Alice Aleman, as a service rep with BNC.

THE COUNTY CODE allows you to enter into a contract with Miami-Dade County as long as the contract does not interfere with the full and faithful discharge of Alice Aleman's duties to the County. This includes the condition that Alice Aleman not participate in determining the contract requirements or in awarding the contract. Additionally, none of Alice Aleman's job responsibilities and job descriptions may require her to be involved in the contract in any way including, but not limited to, its enforcement, oversight, administration, amendment, extension, termination, or forbearance. Finally, Alice Aleman may not work in any County department that will enforce, oversee, or administer your contract.

If any of the facts you have presented change, or if you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 305 350-0601.

Sincerely,

VICTORIA FRIGO

Staff Attorney

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